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"I have not yet begun to fight!"



U. S. CONSIDERS GIVING TAIWAN DESTROYERS

By Associated Press

When U.S. and Taiwanese officials gather behind closed doors to discuss which weapons the United States is willing to sell, the \$4.4 billion question will be whether Taiwan gets the go-ahead to buy the Aegis destroyers it says it needs to counter a buildup of Chinese missiles.

The talks Monday and Tuesday in Washington are especially sensitive because of their profound political implications. China has said it would be compelled to react harshly if Taiwan acquires Aegis warships. Taiwan

views its request as a test of U.S. support in the face of China's continuing buildup of offensive missiles.

China regards Taiwan as Chinese territory, separated by civil war. The United States has a "one China" policy, but under the Taiwan Relations Act of 1979 it is obligated to insure a "sufficient" defense for Taiwan. The Clinton administration is divided over the weapons sales.

The Pentagon believes they are justified for Taiwan's self-defense but the White House and State Department worry more about provoking China. Virtually all international arms sales have political implications, but this one is especially political because of the growing belief in Congress that China is bent on regaining control of Taiwan at any cost. Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon said Friday he could not discuss the substance of the U.S.-Taiwan talks.

The Washington Post, citing anonymous sources, reported Monday that the Pentagon will recommend against selling the Aegis destroyers to Taiwan for the time being, but will call for further assessment of Taiwan's needs and, in the mean time, recommend selling the island long-range radar systems. In strictly military terms, there is little ques-

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The BONHOMME RICHARD Color Guard practiced presenting Colors yesterday. (Photo by JO1 (SW) Robert W. Garnand.)

NATIONAL NEWS

THOUSANDS PROTEST WORLD BANK *By John Kifner*

Thousands of protesters looking to shut down meetings of world financial leaders swarmed the streets of Washington, D.C. Sunday, clashing briefly with police who moved firmly to quash any unrest.

The finance ministers and other delegates were escorted by police so that their meetings could take place as scheduled. Sunday evening, they tacitly acknowledged the shouting on the streets by conceding in a communique issued by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) that their role had become a matter "of growing public debate."

They acknowledged a widespread fear that "the benefits of the world economy" are "not reaching everyone, especially in the developing countries." But they offered no new prescriptions, other than some reforms of the IMF's internal operations that are already under way.

FAA PANEL TO URGE 737 CHANGES *By New York Times*

A Federal Aviation Administration engineering board is expected to recommend design changes in the rudder of the Boeing 737, the world's most widely used jetliner.

FAA officials said Sunday that preliminary recommendations prepared by the board also urged more rudder inspections and changes in the training of crews to deal with rudder problems. "The board considered the likelihood of problems with the 737's rudder so small that it did not recommend immediate action," said Thomas E. McSweeney, the agency's Associate Administrator for Regulation and Certification.

STOCK MARKET

Dow	10582.51	up	276.74
Nasdaq	3539.16	up	217.87
S&P 500	1401.44	up	44.88
NYSE	620.21	up	8.72

WEDNESDAY'S STE TV SCHEDULE

CHANNEL 2

1030 JUST SHOOT ME
1100 THAT OLD FEELING
1630 THE NEW DETECTIVES
1730 JEOPARDY
1800 BEVERLY HILLS 90210
1900 MELROSE PLACE
2000 THE SHINING
2200 FALLEN

CHANNEL 6

1030 BOY MEETS WORLD
1100 THE SIXTH MAN
1630 ROMY & MICHELE'S
HIGH SCHOOL REUNION
1800 WOO
1930 THE NEGOTIATOR
2200 SHOOT TO KILL

TV SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
DUE TO OPERATIONAL COMMITMENTS

BONHOMME RICHARD'S ALMANAC

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

BROAD NET OF BLAME IN BOMBING

By Steven Lee Myers

In the weeks before the bombing of the Chinese Embassy in Belgrade last May, NATO was under tremendous pressure to escalate its war against Yugoslavia. The alliance's supreme commander urgently asked for 2,000 targets inside Serbia, a number some aides considered arbitrary and far too high for a country the size of Ohio.

Having begun the war for Kosovo with too few targets and the unrealistic hope of a quick victory, NATO had to scramble for new ones. In this atmosphere the CIA submitted its first targeting proposal of the war. It was selected by its Counter-Proliferation Division, which had no particular expertise in either the Balkans or in picking bombing targets. The target was then accepted, officials said, without further vetting by the military and assigned to be struck by a B 2 bomber, which flew from the United States on May 7 and dropped five satellite-guided bombs on the target without ever seeing it.

In fact, it was the Chinese Embassy. It was described in a secret document given to President Clinton for his approval as a warehouse that was the headquarters of Yugoslav army procurement. The document, provided to The New York Times by a military officer, included a satellite photograph, a casualty estimate and a description of the site. The only thing that turned out to be accurate was the casualty estimate.

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tion that Taiwan can justify its desire for warships equipped with the highly advanced Aegis weapons system, which is designed to defend against aircraft and missiles.

Taiwan wants to buy four of the warships, which go for \$1.1 billion a piece, plus a variety of other advanced weapons. Adm. Dennis Blair, Commander in Chief of U.S. Pacific Command, with responsibility for U.S. forces in the Asia-Pacific region, has made clear that he believes Taiwan faces a serious missile threat from China.

"Currently, China has deployed about 200 ballistic missiles against Taiwan and is adding about 50 missiles per year," Blair said in a speech in Washington on March 16. "Though these missiles are terror weapons, too inaccurate to hit military targets with any confidence, as the numbers increase and their accuracy improves, they will pose a military threat to Taiwan."

Blair has not said publicly whether he favors selling Taiwan the four Arleigh Burke-class destroyers with Aegis radar. Douglas Paal, president of the Asia Pacific Policy Center, said he expects the Clinton administration to approve a sale of destroyers to Taiwan but without the Aegis weapons system included. This would give Taiwan an improved capability to defend against anti-ship missiles and aircraft but not against the ballistic missiles that China has deployed in Fujian province, just across the 100-mile Taiwan Strait.

Among other weapons on Taiwan's wish list, Paal believes President Clinton is likely to approve the sale of longer-range radars but not Harm anti-radiation missiles or Amraam air-to-air missiles.

PFA REQUIREMENTS

MALES: AGE 30 TO 39 YEARS

PERFORMANCE CATEGORY	PERFORMANCE LEVEL	CURL UPS	PUSH UPS	1.5-MILE RUN	SWIM 500-YD	450-M
OUTSTANDING	HIGH	98	80	9:20	6:45	6:35
OUTSTANDING	MEDIUM	97	78	9:45	7:15	7:05
OUTSTANDING	LOW		92	74	10:00	7:45
EXCELLENT	HIGH	88	69	10:45	8:15	8:05
EXCELLENT	MEDIUM	85	67	11:00	8:30	8:20
EXCELLENT	LOW		81	64	11:15	9:00
GOOD	HIGH		73	57	12:00	9:45
GOOD	MEDIUM		59	48	13:00	10:45
GOOD	LOW		51	41	13:45	11:45
SATISFACTORY	HIGH		47	38	14:00	12:15
SATISFACTORY	MEDIUM		44	35	14:15	12:30
SATISFACTORY	MARGINAL		40	31	14:30	13:15

MALES: AGE 40 TO 49 YEARS

PERFORMANCE CATEGORY	PERFORMANCE LEVEL	CURL UPS	PUSH UPS	1.5-MILE RUN	SWIM 500-YD	450-M
OUTSTANDING	HIGH	92	72	9:30	7:00	6:50
OUTSTANDING	MEDIUM	90	70	10:00	7:30	7:20
OUTSTANDING	LOW		85	67	10:15	8:00
EXCELLENT	HIGH		83	61	10:45	8:30
EXCELLENT	MEDIUM	80	59	11:15	8:45	8:35
EXCELLENT	LOW		76	56	11:45	9:15
GOOD	HIGH		68	50	12:45	10:00
GOOD	MEDIUM		51	41	13:45	11:00
GOOD	LOW		44	34	14:30	12:00
SATISFACTORY	HIGH		39	32	14:45	12:30
SATISFACTORY	MEDIUM	37	29	15:15	12:45	12:35
SATISFACTORY	MARGINAL		35	24	15:30	13:30

FEMALES: AGE 30 TO 39 YEARS

PERFORMANCE CATEGORY	PERFORMANCE LEVEL	CURL UPS	PUSH UPS	1.5-MILE RUN	SWIM 500-YD	450-M
OUTSTANDING	HIGH	98	44	10:46	7:30	7:20
OUTSTANDING	MEDIUM	97	43	11:45	8:30	8:20
OUTSTANDING	LOW		92	41	12:00	9:15
EXCELLENT	HIGH		88	39	12:45	9:45
EXCELLENT	MEDIUM	85	37	13:15	10:15	10:05
EXCELLENT	LOW		81	35	13:30	10:30
GOOD	HIGH		73	28	14:30	11:30
GOOD	MEDIUM		59	24	15:15	12:45
GOOD	LOW		51	17	15:30	13:45
SATISFACTORY	HIGH		47	15	15:45	14:00
SATISFACTORY	MEDIUM	44	13	16:15	14:30	14:20
SATISFACTORY	MARGINAL	40	11	16:45	15:00	14:50

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PERFORMANCE CATEGORY	PERFORMANCE LEVEL	CURL UPS	PUSH UPS	1.5-MILE RUN	SWIM 500-YD	450-M
OUTSTANDING	HIGH	92	41	10:56	8:00	7:50
OUTSTANDING	MEDIUM	90	40	12:00	8:45	8:35
OUTSTANDING	LOW		85	37	12:15	9:45
EXCELLENT	HIGH		83	35	13:00	10:15
EXCELLENT	MEDIUM	80	33	13:30	10:30	10:20
EXCELLENT	LOW		76	32	14:00	11:00
GOOD	HIGH		68	24	14:45	12:00
GOOD	MEDIUM		51	20	15:45	13:00
GOOD	LOW		44	12	16:15	14:15
SATISFACTORY	HIGH	39	11	16:45	14:30	14:20
SATISFACTORY	MEDIUM	37	9	17:00	14:45	14:35
SATISFACTORY	MARGINAL	35	7	17:15	15:30	15:20

SPORTS

BASEBALL SCORES:

BOSTON	8	OAKLAND	1
TORONTO	7	ANAHEIM	1
N.Y. YANKEES	5	TEXAS	4
COLORADO	9	ARIZONA	1
FLORIDA	6	CHI. CUBS	5

NBA SCORES:

MILWAUKEE	85	ORLANDO	83
SAN ANTONIO	100	VANCOUVER	93
INDIANA	92	PHILADELPHIA	90
MINNESOTA	101	GOLDEN STATE	96

NHL SCORES:

OTTAWA	4	TORONTO	3
DETROIT	2	LOS ANGELES	1
SAN JOSE	2	ST. LOUIS	1
PITTSBURGH	4	WASHINGTON	3
COLORADO	4	PHOENIX	2



Gunnery Sgt. Todd Stevelton, a prior drill instructor, instructed Ens. Aaron Ayers in the fine art of sword drill yesterday. (Photo by JO1 (SW) Robert W. Garnand.)